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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **METHOD FOR PROMOTING REGENERATION OF SURFACE CARTILAGE IN A DAMAGED JOINT USING MULTI-LAYER COVERING** the specification of which was filed on August 10, 2001 as United States Application Number 09/925,728.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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